plicable in respect of grant of licences for after sales service spares. The Actual Users engaged in the manufacture of automobiles, electronic items and consumer durables are now required to obtain OGL Import Entitlements Certificate for import of raw materails and components under Open General Licence irrespective of whether they are subject to Phased Manufacturing Programme of indigenisation or not.

16 numbers of raw materials and components have been taken out of the Open General Licence list. They can be imported against a supplementary licence granted on the recommendation of the sponsoring authority, indigenous clearance and approval by the supplementary Licensing Committee. They can also be imported against REP/Additional Licences. These include items like Plain Polyester Film, Trimethylphospite, Hydroxyquinoline, Magnesium Metal, Non-alloy steel seconds and defectives of thickness 0-27 mm and thinner (excluding TMBP second) Non-alloy steel uncoated prime cold rolled sheets, strips, wide coil of thickness 0 27 mm and thinner (excluding TMBP), certain High Speed Steel items, Butachlor (Tech), Glycerine, Plate/Float Glass, Aluminium Rolled Products, Sheets, Strips, Circles and Slugs.

Close scrutiny of all supplementary licence applications for import of raw materials, components, consumables and spares is being made and where the value of licences exceeds Rs. 2 crores, a condition is being imposed that in respect of 50 per cent of the amount in excess of Rs. 2 crores, the Actual Users will be required to surrender REP/Additional Licences of equivalent value and having a minimum validity of 3 months.

The facility for import of items of raw materials, components, consumables and spares as well as jigs, fixtures, dies and patterns (including counter roller dies), moulds (including moulds for die casting) and press tools not specified in the Import Policy, under OGL, has been suspended for a period of 3 months w.e f 6th November, 1990. However, necessary import of these items can be made for keeping up industrial production through Supplementary Licensing procedures.

The cut imposed on import of raw materails and components may affect production in the country in future.

Selling of Cycle Corporation of India and Bharat Opthalmic Glass Ltd. to private parties

1558. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering a proposal to sell two Sick Public Sector units, the Cycle Corporation of India and the Bharat Opthalmic Glass Ltd. in West Bengal to private parties; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI KAMAL MORARKA): (a) Government have not taken any decision to sell these units to the private parties.

(b) Does not arise.

Production in cement industries

1559. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:

SHRI N. E. BALARAM:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the production in infrastructural industries like Cement has been below the target during the current year (April—November); and

(b) if so, the details of the projected target and real production of these industries in term of quantum as well as percentage during the year so far and how does it compare with that in the same period last year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI KAMAL MORARKA): (a) and (b) A

statement giving the details of targetted and actual achievement during April—November, 1990 in respect of six infrastructural industries is enclosed. [*See* Appendix CLVI, Annexure No. 39].

Scheduled Castes/Muslims in selection committees

1560. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Prime Minister has recently directed the Ministry of Industry to include Scheduled Castes and Muslims in the Selection Committees and other bodies in that Ministry; and

(b) what action has so far been taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI KAMAL MORARKA). (a) and (b) Department of Personnel & Training under the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions had issued instructions in May, 1975 to all Ministries/Departments to make endeavour to the maximum extent possible to nominate a scheduled caste/scheduled tribe officer, while constituting Departmental Promotion Committees, Selection Boards etc., for recruitment/promotion to posts/services under the Government of India This was reiterated in April 1989 also while issuing consolidated instructions on Departmental Promotion Committees and related matters.

Likewise, the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions had issued instructions in June, 1987 regarding the inclusion of a member of the minority community in the Selection Committees constituted in various Ministries/Departments, for recruitment to Group 'C' and 'D' posts.

Accordingly, members of the Scheduled castes/Scheduled tribes and minority communities are being associated with the Departmental Promotion Committees and Selection Boards etc.

Representation of Muslims in the Ministry of Labour

1561. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the strength of staff in his Ministry;

(b) what is the number and percentage of Muslims therein, rank-wise;

(c) whether any plan has been prepared by his Ministry for their welfare; and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) what steps are being taken to give due representation to Muslims in his Ministry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI RAMJI LAL SUMAN). (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Extension of Urdu service of All India Radio to South, Central, East & North-East Indian Sub-Continent

1562. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1091 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 21st March, 1990 and state·

(a) whether it is a fact that a service on the pattern of Urdu service of All India Radio does not exist at present for the Urdu speaking audience of South, Central, East and North-East Indian Sub-Continent;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor,

(c) what steps are being taken to provide such service; and

(d) what further steps are being taken to further improve the audibility of existing Urdu service of All India Radio for listeners of the country?